

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. The Danube River port at Komarno is situated at the bend of the north bank of the river and has a frontage of 1,900 meters; its capacity is 25 barges lengthwise.
2. There are five cranes with a capacity of from 3,000 to 5,000 kg. Cargoes consist mainly of stones, coal and ore. There is also a small pumping station which was not in use at the date of observation. There are, however, no tanks for storing oil.
3. On the south bank of the basin in the old Skoda shipyard a new Skoda shipyard is under construction, with two assembly halls. It is planned to construct 120 towing barges annually, mostly destined for export to the USSR. Owing to the lack of technical experts and the shortage of raw materials as well as machines, production is not coming up to the prescribed norms.
4. The docks of the Danube River port at Bratislava extend 2,300 m. and can accommodate 31 barges tied up end to end. The winter port has two basins, North and South; the capacity of each is 29 barges (tied up lengthwise), and in winter eight barges can be tied up across the basins.
5. There are 15 store houses, of which No. 7 is a three story building, Nos. 14 and 17 and all others one story buildings. During the war Nos. 2 and 15 were bombed and they have not been repaired as yet.
6. There are 15 cranes with capacities from 500 kg. to 2,500 kg.; one crane has a capacity of up to 25,000 kg.
7. The port has two pumping stations for mineral oil with a capacity of 40 railroad cars per 12 hours; oil is also stored in tanks.

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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8. In the South basin the Danube Navigation Corporation has a shipyard used mainly for maintenance of barges. This shipyard has a lift with a capacity of one barge from the water to the bank and vice versa per hour.
9. Inside the port is a dump for nonperishable goods, such as coal.
10. The main port (by river kilometer marker No. 1864) will have a new basin which is under construction - for cargoes of mineral oil and military material. It is not yet in use owing to technical deficiencies; it is being enlarged so the barges can turn without trouble; these improvements will possibly be finished shortly.

Annexes:

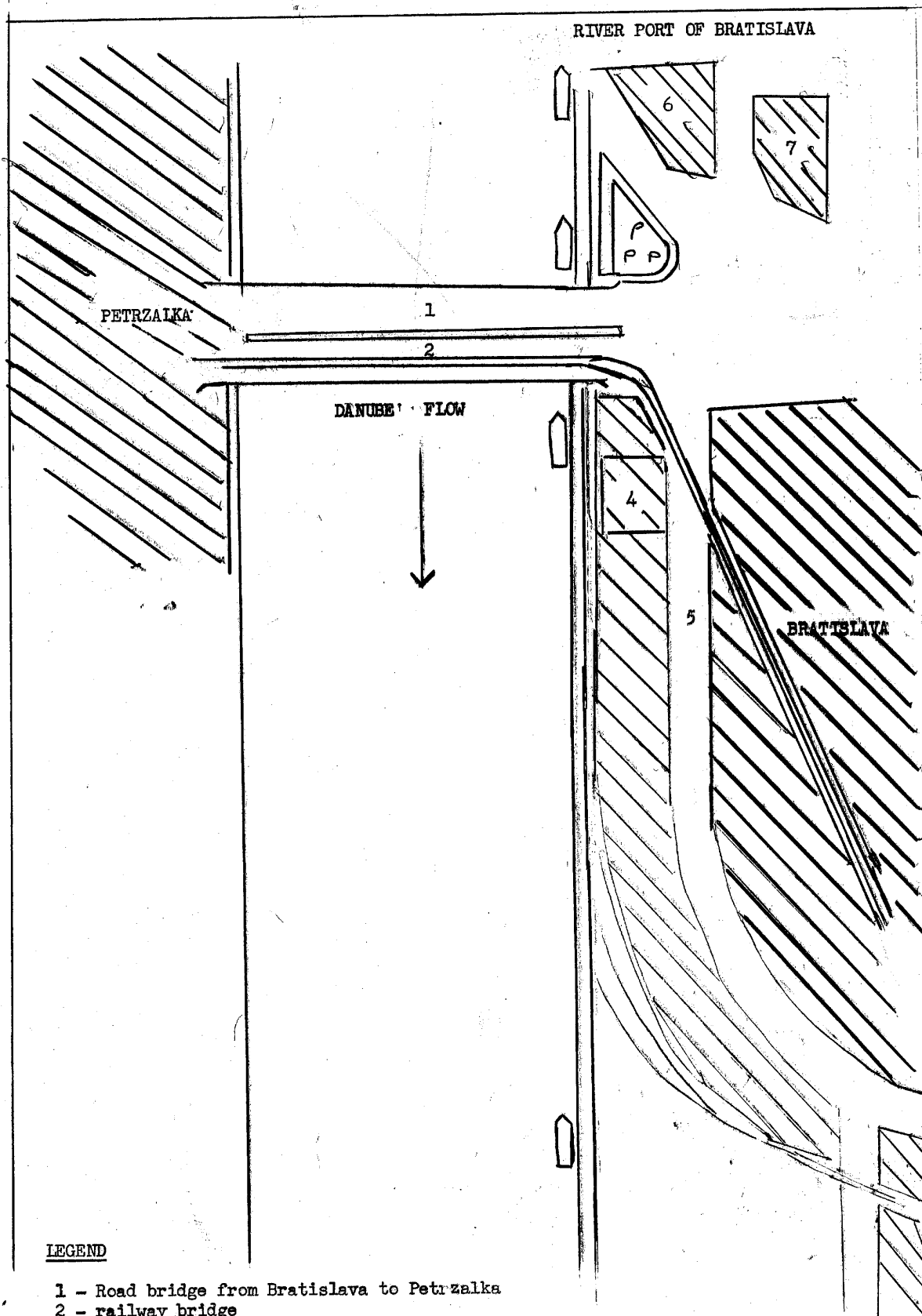
- (A) Sketch (1 page) of the Danube River port at Bratislava.
- (B) Sketch (1 page) of the Winter Port at Bratislava.

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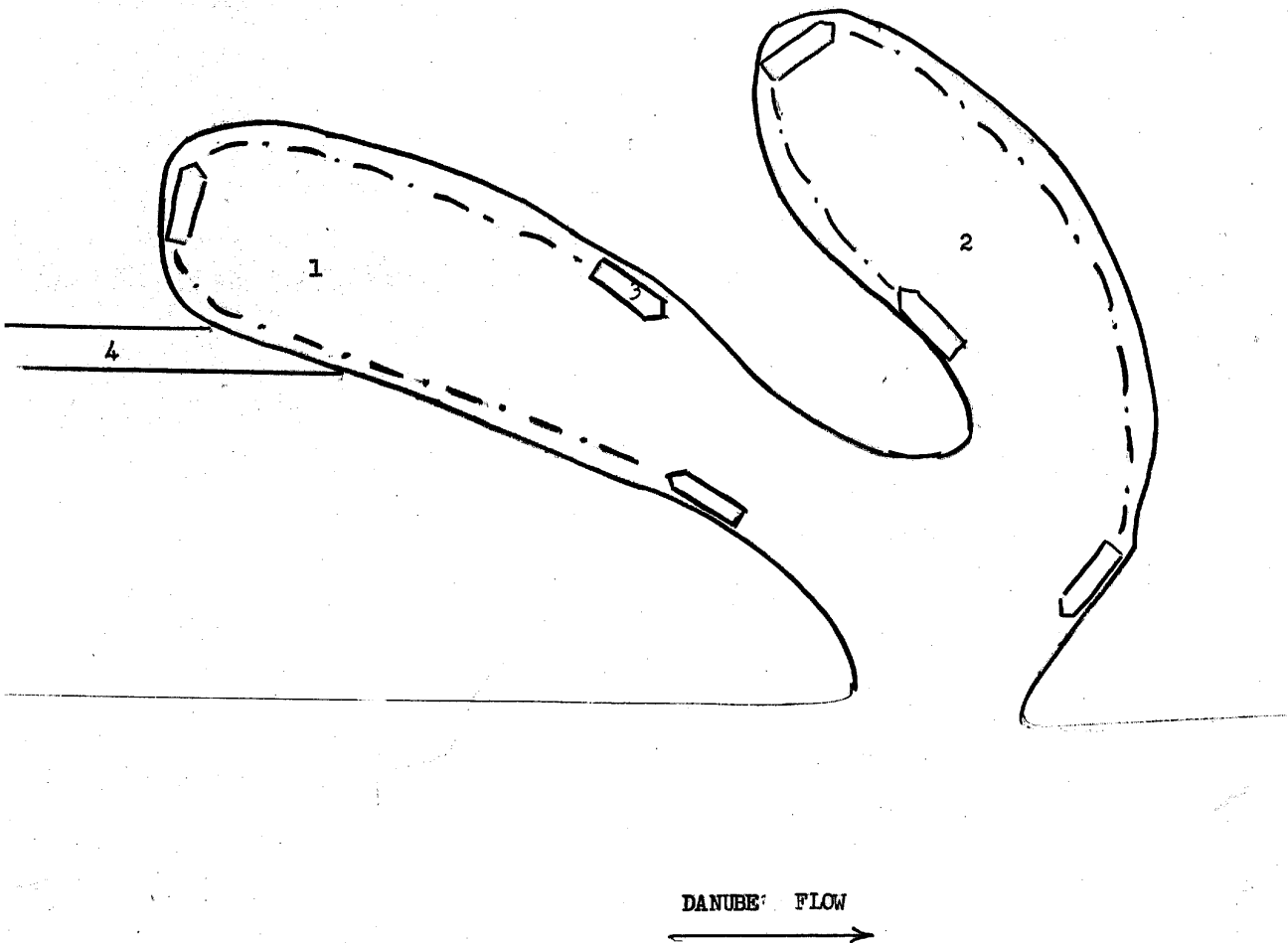
- 1 - Road bridge from Bratislava to Petržalka
- 2 - railway bridge
- 3 - 31 barges in river port of Bratislava of which 5 barges could be west from the bridge and 26 barges east from the bridge
- 4 - Slovakian Ministry of Finance
- 5 - road
- 6 - Slovakian Ministry of Interior
- 7 - University building

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THE WINTER PORT OF BRATISLAVA

LEGEND : 1 - North basin  
2 - South basin  
3 - barges in basins  
4 - Entrance to the winter port

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